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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR EFFICIENT USE
OF A MULTI-DIMENSIONAL SHARING VECTOR
IN A COMPUTER SYSTEM

Assistant Commissioner for
Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the initial review, please amend the
Application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 1, please insert the following
paragraph:

--RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional
Application Serial No. 60/219,944 filed July 20, 2000. --

REMARKS

Attached herewith is a separate sheet showing a marked up version of the amendments made to the specification.

Attached herewith for the Examiner's and Draftsperson's approval are formal drawings for this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any amount required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

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PATENT APPLICATION

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TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates in general to memory access control in microprocessors, and more particularly to a directory structure for efficiently maintaining cache coherency.

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